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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED JUNE 6, 2002

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement, mailed June 6, 2002, Applicants elect to prosecute claims 1-20, designated as Group II by the Examiner. The claims of Group II are drawn to polypeptides related to SEQ ID NO: 5 and SEQ ID NO: 6.

Applicants do not believe that any additional fee is required. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. If the Examiner believes it to be helpful, he or she is invited to contact the undersigned representative by telephone at (312) 913-0001.

Respectfully submitted,

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached papers for the above-described patent application:
Response to Restriction Requirement.
2. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE OR CREDIT FEES: Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490.
3. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL" UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C. 20231, on June 13, 2002.

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